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METHOD OF PRODUCING
POWDER METAL PARTS FROM
METALLURGICAL POWDERS
INCLUDING SPONGE IRON

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

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2 February 2005

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment ("Notice") mailed 27 January 2005 in the above-identified application, the Legal Instruments Examiner concludes that the amendment filed on 14 June 2004 ("Amendment") is

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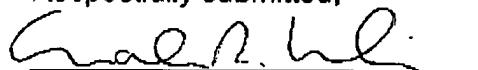
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non-compliant because "[e]ach claim has not been provided with the proper status identifier, and as such, the individual status of each claim cannot be identified." Accordingly, the undersigned submits herewith a revised version of the "Claim Amendments" section of the Amendment. The undersigned notes that the single change made to the attached paper is to substitute "Previously presented" for "Previously added" in the parenthetical associated with claim 53.

It is respectfully submitted that the attached paper is fully responsive to the Notice and that the Amendment should be forwarded to the Examiner for due consideration. If, instead, the Legal Instruments Examiner has any remaining concerns regarding the form of the Amendment, Applicants request that she contact the undersigned by phone so that those concerns can be addressed expeditiously.

Respectfully submitted,



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